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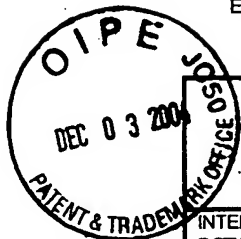
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<b>TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES</b> <b>DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)</b> <b>CONCERNING A SUBMISSION UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371</b>		<b>ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER</b> B-0459 US
U.S. APPLICATION NO. (If known, see 37 CFR 1.5)		TBA 10/516781
INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/EP03/05761	INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE June 2, 2003	PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED June 5, 2002
TITLE OF INVENTION New Agents for Magnetic Imaging Method		
APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/ES Bracco Imaging S.p.A.		

Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/S) the following items and other information:

1. ☒ This is a **FIRST** submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371.
  2. ☐ This is a **SECOND** or **SUBSEQUENT** submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371.
  3. ☒ This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (7), (9) and (21) indicated below
  4. ☒ The US has been elected by the expiration of 19 months from the priority date (Article 31).
  5. ☒ A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2))
    - a. ☒ is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).
    - b. ☐ has been communicated by the International Bureau.
    - c. ☐ is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).
  6. ☐ An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)).
    - a. ☐ is attached hereto.
    - b. ☐ has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).
  7. ☒ Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).
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    - c. ☐ have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.
    - d. ☒ have not been made and will not be made.
  8. ☐ An English language translation of the annexes of the International Preliminary Examination report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).
  9. ☒ An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)).
  10. ☐ An English translation of the annexes of the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).
- Items 11 to 20 below concern document(s) or information included:
11. ☒ An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 198.
  12. ☒ An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.
  13. ☒ A preliminary amendment.
  14. ☒ An Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76.
  15. ☐ A substitute specification.
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  18. ☐ A second copy of the published International Application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).
  19. ☐ A second copy of the English language translation of the International Application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).
  20. ☒ Other items or information: **Copy of the International Examination Report, Form PCT/IB/304**

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